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This is a communication from the examiner in charge of your application.

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	OFFICE ACTION SUMMARY
Ø	Responsive to communication(s) filed on December 13, 1886 (pay-rame dms It)
	This action is FINAL.
	Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under Ex parte Quayle, 1935 D.C. 11; 453 O.G. 213.
whithe	ortened statutory period for response to this action is set to expire
	osition of Claims
\boxtimes	Claim(s) 2-8 and 20-22 is/are pending in the application.
_	Of the above, claim(s)
×	Claim(s) 20-22 is/are allowed.
×	Claim(s)is/are rejected. Claim(s)is/are objected to.
H	Claim(s)is/are objected to. Claim(s)are subject to restriction or election requirement.
X	See the attached Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948. The drawing(s) filed onis/are objected to by the Examiner. The proposed drawing correction, filed onis approved disapproved. The specification is objected to by the Examiner. The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner.
Pric	rity under 35 U.S.C. § 119
	Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).
	All Some* None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been
	received. received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).
•	Pertified copies not received:
	Acknowledgment is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).
Atta	chment(s)
	Notice of Reference Cited, PTO-892
\boxtimes	Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). 3,4 and 6
	Interview Summary, PTO-413
×	Notice of Draftperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948
	Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152
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DRAWINGS

The drawings submitted on July 99, 1996 are objected to as being informal (see attached PTO-948).

35 U.S.C. 112 REJECTIONS

Claim 8 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

To be consistent with the language of claim 20 (line 10), claim 8 -line 2 should be modified as follows:

1) the phrase "is carried on" should be changed to -- are carried adjacent--.

The above change clarifies the language of claim 8 as well as providing similar language to that of claim 19 (line 2) of the 5,533,325 patent.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

Claims 2-7 and 20-22 are allowable as presently set forth. The present claim language is in direct correspondence with the claim language of claims 15 and 24 of the 5,533,325 patent.

Claim 8 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112 set forth in this Office action.

CONCLUSION

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The Examiner would like to note that the PTO-1449 forms have been received. Also, no additional prior art is being cited at this time.

Claims 1 and 9-19 are noted as being cancelled.

Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Examiner Terry Melius at telephone number (703) 308-2168 (The Examiner can normally be contacted any time Monday-Thursday.)

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January 24, 1997

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